| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Assam | 13 | 16.42 | 13.96 | 22.12 | 17.49 |
| Manipur | 17 | 14.63 | 28.01 | 0.05 | 0.65 |
| Meghalaya | 12 | 3.00 | 3.80 | 9.73 | 4.80 |
| Mizoram | 12 | 15.65 | 1.68 | 32.62 | 0.36 |
| Nagaland | 38 | 13.61 | 20.69 | 28.15 | 4.06 |
| Sikkim | 9 | 11.35 | 17.64 | 3.00 | 4.69 |
| Tripura | 10 | 17.34 | 8.62 | 24.72 | 8.15 |
| TOTAL: | 142 | 92.00 | 114.50 | 160.00 | 55.52 |
| TOTAL OUTLAY: | | 92.00 | 114.50 | 160.00 | 132.00 |

**Repair and maintenance of NHs in Himachal Pradesh**

*29. SHRIMATI VIPLOVE THAKUR: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the amount spent on repair and maintenance of National Highways in the State of Himachal Pradesh during the last four financial years;

(b) whether it is a fact that the amount sanctioned every financial year of repair and maintenance of National Highways in the State of Himachal Pradesh is inadequate to meet the purpose;

(c) if so, whether Government propose to sanction enough amount to maintain the National Highways better; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) The amount spent on repair and maintenance of

National Highways in the State of Himachal Pradesh during the last four years is as under:

(Rs. in crore)

| Year | Expenditure |
|---|---|
| 2002-03 | 12.34 |
| 2003-04 | 11.47 |
| 2004-05 | 15.64 |
| 2005-06 | 19.02 |

(b) to (d) The allocation of funds for maintenance and repair of National Highways in the country is nearly 40% of the amount required as per norms. This shortfall in funds is reflected in allocation for maintenance and repair of National Highways to all States including Himachal Pradesh.

**Nuclear power for energy security**

*30. SHRI TAPAN KUMAR SEN:
SHRI CHITTABRATA MAJUMDAR:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Planning Commission has done any study that nuclear power is the most cost effective means to ensure energy security;

(b) if so, whether nuclear power is costlier or cheaper than coal and gas based power in Indian parameter; and

(c) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M.V. RAJASEKHARAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

**Roads in border areas**

†*31. MS. SUSHILA TIRIYA:
SHRI MOTILAL VORA:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.